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SUBJECT: W/W MARY WEST MASS, NOVEMBER 1, 1908, TEXAS

1. CONGRESSMAN ABRAHAM KAZEN, JR. INTERESTED.

2. FAMILY OF MARY WEST BASS INFORMED CONGRESSIONAL OFFICE THAT ADDRESSEE POSTS ARE AWARE OF MISSING PERSON, MARY WEST BASS. DEPARTMENT UNDERSTANDS THAT MRS. BASS LEFT U.S. WITH HUSBAND, TOM BASS, TO TRAVEL TO LONDON. MRS. BASS PLANNED REMAIN LONDON WHILE HUSBAND TRAVELLED TO AFRICA ON SAFARI. SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, DAUGHTER RECEIVED TELE-PHONE CALL FROM MRS. BASS STATING MR. BASS HAD BEATEN HER SEVERELY AND THAT SHE WAS RETURNING HOME. SUNDAY, MRS. BASS TELEPHONED HOME AGAIN TO SAY SHE HAD DECIDED TO GO OUT TO AFRICA WITH MR. BASS AND THAT SHE WOULD TELEPHONE AGAIN AS SOON AS SHE HAD A POINT OF CONTACT TO GIVE FAMILY. FAMILY STATE THAT MRS. BASS TRAVELS FREQUENTLY AND HAS NEVER BEEN UNCLASSIFIED

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OUT OF TOUCH WITH HOME FOR EVEN ONE DAY IN PAST. FAMILY

HAVE NOT HEARD FROM HER NOW SINCE SUNDAY AND ON CHECKING ARE UNABLE TO DETERMINE HER PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. AIRLINE RECORDS INDICATE THAT BASSES PURCHASED TWO TICKETS ON BRITISH AIRWAYS FLIGHT 021, FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26. FLIGHT 026 TRAVELLED FROM LONDON TO FRANKFURT TO NAIROBI.

FAMILY UNABLE DETERMINE WHETHER MRS. BASS BOARDED FLIGHT IN LONDON BUT NAIROBI CONFIRMS THAT SHE DID NOT ARRIVE THERE WITH FLIGHT. NAIROBI ALSO CONFIRMS THAT ON ARRIVAL MR. BASS PURCHASED TICKET FOR EAST AFRICA AIRWAYS FLIGHT TO LUSAKA BUT LUSAKA INTERNATIONAL HOTEL STATES THAT MR. BASS NEVER ARRIVED THERE. WHILE IN LONDON MRS. BASS WAS STAYING IN ROOM 682 AT THE SAVOY.

- 3. FAMILY UNDERSTANDABLY CONCERNED ABOUT MRS. BASS' PRESENT WELFARE/WHEREABOUTS. DEPARTMENT UNDERSTANDS BASSES RECENTLY MARRIED AND THAT MRS. BASS' BANK ACCOUNT WHICH WAS SUBSTANTIAL BEGINNING SEPTEMBER HAS BEEN DEPLETED. POSTS REQUESTED ATTEMPT LOCATE MRS. BASS AND REQUEST HER TELEPHONE HER DAUGHTER, MS. MARY NAN WEST IN BATESVILLE, TEXAS AT (512) 376-4324 AT ONCE. KEEP DEPARTMENT INFORMED RESULTS OF SEARCH.
- 4. NOTICE: PRIVACY ACT AUTHORIZATION REQUIRED IN CASES WHERE INFORMATION IS TO BE RELAY BY DEPARTMENT OR POST TO INQUIRER INTERESTED PARTY.
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